

Underground and Surface MINING CHARACTERISTICS, 2005

Data Source: MSHA; Excludes Office Employees

Commodity and Type of Employer	No. of Mines		No. of Employees		No. of FTE* Employees		Fatality Rate**		Nonfatal Lost-time Injury Rate***	
	UG	Surf	UG	Surf	UG	Surf	UG	Surf	UG	Surf
Coal Operator	674	1,389	36,693	41,588	40,439	46,745	34.6	6.4	5.5	1.8
Metal Operator	77	186	4,128	22,314	4,181	23,592	23.9	17.0	3.7	2.2
Nonmetal Operator	45	694	2,330	17,348	2,390	17,624	83.7	11.3	3.3	2.4
Stone Operator	126	4,364	1,889	67,870	2,140	71,510	140.2	16.8	2.8	3.1
Sand & Gravel Operator	--	7,111	--	37,705	--	34,258	--	26.3	--	2.5
Operator Total	922	13,744	45,040	186,825	49,150	193,729	40.7	15.5	5.1	2.5
Coal Contractor	--	--	4,247	28,392	2,829	17,307	--	28.9	7.5	1.9
Noncoal Contractor	--	--	1,445	45,178	1,061	24,528	--	8.2	2.9	1.6
Contractor Total	--	--	5,692	73,570	3,890	41,835	--	16.7	6.3	1.7
TOTAL	922	13,744	50,732	260,395	53,041	235,564	37.7	15.7	5.2	2.4

* Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Employees computed using reported hours worked (2,000 = 1 FTE)

** Fatality rates were computed per 100,000 FTE employees

*** Nonfatal lost-time injury rates were computed per 100 FTE employees